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### **CITATION AND NOTIFICATION OF PENALTY**

We believe that you violated the Animal Welfare Act (7 U.S.C. § 2131 et seq.) (AWA), as described below.

#### **Date of Violation: October 2, 2012**

**9 C.F.R. § 2.40(b)** Attending veterinarian and adequate veterinary care (dealers and exhibitors). (b) Each dealer or exhibitor shall establish and maintain programs of adequate veterinary care that include: (2) The use of appropriate methods to prevent, control, diagnose, and treat diseases and injuries; (3) Daily observation of all animals to assess their health and well-being; Provided, however, That daily observation of animals may be accomplished by someone other than the attending veterinarian; and Provided, further, That a mechanism of direct and frequent communication is required so that timely and accurate information on problems of animal health, behavior, and well-being is conveyed to the attending veterinarian.

You failed to establish and maintain programs of adequate veterinary care that included the use of appropriate methods to prevent, control, diagnose, and treat diseases and injuries at your facility, and daily observation of all animals to assess their health and well-being. In particular, you failed to provide adequate veterinary care for the following animals:

- 1) One alpaca observed squinting her left eye with watery discharge in that eye;
- 2) At least one llama with overgrown hooves, and;
- 3) At least two goats with large accumulations of burrs in the hair around their faces and/or on their chests.

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**9 C.F.R. § 3.125(a)** Facilities, general. (a) Structural strength. The facility must be constructed of such material and of such strength as appropriate for the animals involved. The indoor and outdoor housing facilities shall be structurally sound and shall be maintained in good repair to protect the animals from injury and to contain the animals.

You failed to ensure that the indoor and outdoor housing facilities were structurally sound and maintained in good repair to protect the animals from injury and to contain the animals. In particular, you failed to keep

the following facilities in good repair:

- 1) The outdoor enclosure for five Scottish Highland cattle with wires on the north and east fencing with sharp ends protruding into the enclosure, that posed a risk of injury to the animals inside;
- 2) The metal shelter structure for five pigs with bent edges near the entrances, that had sharp points that posed a risk of injury to the animals inside, and;
- 3) The metal structure for 17 goats with bent edges near the entrances, that had sharp points that posed a risk of injury to the animals inside.

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**9 C.F.R. § 3.129(b)** Feeding. (b) Food, and food receptacles, if used, shall be sufficient in quantity and located so as to be accessible to all animals in the enclosure and shall be placed so as to minimize contamination. Food receptacles shall be kept clean and sanitary at all times.

You failed to keep food receptacles clean and sanitary at all times. APHIS officials discovered storm water and a large amount of dirt and hay debris surrounding the food supplement provided for two llamas and five alpacas inside their food bowl.

**Date of Violation: January 30, 2013**

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You failed to ensure that the indoor and outdoor housing facilities were structurally sound and maintained in good repair to protect the animals from injury and to contain the animals. In particular, you failed to keep the following facilities in good repair:

- 1) The outdoor enclosure housing one male Dromedary camel with a broken wooden cross-bar in the split rail fencing that posed a risk of injury to the animals inside, and;
- 2) The outdoor enclosure housing five pigs with damaged plastic mesh on the south side of the enclosure fencing, that had become loose from the inside of the wooden fence and posed a risk of injury to the animals inside.

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You failed to place food so as to minimize contamination. You fed the goats hay on the ground, with an accumulation of feces and older hay surrounding the fresh hay.

The penalty for the alleged violation(s) described above is \$2,036.